

# ***XXI Sunday in Ordinary Time***

## ***XXI Domingo Ordinario***

***The narrow door is the way of Christ—faithful, challenging, and full of love. It may not be the easiest path, but it is the one that leads to life. Let us choose it with courage and trust in Jesus.***

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***August 24, 2025***

# Welcome to Saint Louis Parish

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## MISSION STATEMENT

*Saint Louis Parish is a welcoming Catholic Community united in our efforts to live the Gospel message and offer ourselves as the heart and hands of Jesus Christ to all we encounter. We strive to bring people together in devotion to the presence of the risen Lord, through sacraments, liturgy, and worship. We are committed to living the teaching of our Lord in all our affairs, while honoring His living presence in the Most Holy Eucharist. We endeavor to remain a strong, supportive, and interactive community within, but seek to support our surrounding community by sharing our faith, actions, and stewardship to help make a positive difference in the world around us.*

## PARISH LIFE

### MARRIAGES

The policy for the Diocese of Worcester requires a period of preparation for the Sacrament of Marriage, which includes sessions with the parish priest and participation at either the pre-Cana conference or the Engaged Encounter weekend. Contact the pastor for arrangements. We want your wedding to be beautiful, memorable and meaningful. Don't hesitate to talk to us about what we can do to make it so. May God bless you in your marriage.

### BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated on Saturdays before 3:00pm or Sundays after 2:00pm. Please call the Rectory office to make arrangements for your child's baptism.

### MINISTRY TO THE SICK

Sacramental and pastoral services are offered to the sick, hospitalized, homebound, and all who are in need by the pastoral staff of the parish. To arrange a visit, please call the rectory. Regular visits are made to the hospitals and to the nursing homes in our town of Webster, with the celebration of weekly Mass. Please call the rectory (508-943-0240) to inform us of someone in need of a visit.

### NEW MEMBERS

New parishioners are always welcome! Please introduce yourself to Father Javier or Deacon Tom at the end of Mass.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND O.C.I.A.

Saint Louis offers a full program of religious education up to and including adults. O.C.I.A. (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) is a process for welcoming new members into the Catholic Church. If interested, please call the religious education office (508-943-0817) for more information.

## PARISH STAFF

Rev. Javier Julio, **Pastor**

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Ms. Connie Galli – **Music Director**

## RECTORY OFFICE INFORMATION

Hours: Monday-Friday 9 AM - 2 PM

Phone - 508-943-0240, Fax - 508-943-0801

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COORDINATOR

Mrs. Teri Cacciapouti, Phone/Fax 508-943-0817

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## PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

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## MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday** - 5 PM

**Sunday** - 7 AM, 10:30 AM,  
12:30 PM - Spanish Mass

**Weekday Masses**

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday 7 AM  
Holidays 8 AM

**Holy Days** - 7 AM, 12 PM, 5:30 PM, 7 PM-Spanish

**Miraculous Medal Novena**

Tuesdays at 6:00 PM (in Spring and Fall as scheduled)

**Spanish Prayer Group** - Wednesdays at 7 PM

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**



SATURDAY      AUGUST 23

3:30 PM ~ **Confessions**

5:00 PM ~ **Wilfred & Irene Lavallee** by Daughter Carol  
~**Nick Trifone** by Sylvia

SUNDAY      AUGUST 24

7:00 AM ~ **Mr. & Mrs. Francis Kelly, Jack, Sr. & Jr.** by  
Joan Dumochel

~ **John Berry** by Rita & Family

10:30AM ~ **John Kokocinski (17<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)** by His Wife  
~**John Minarik** by the Family

12:30 PM ~ **Spanish**

MONDAY      AUGUST 25      NO MASS

TUESDAY      AUGUST 26

7:00 AM ~ **Theresa Lada**

WEDNESDAY      AUGUST 27

7:00 AM ~ **Angela DeThomasis** by the Family

THURSDAY      AUGUST 28

7:00 AM ~ **Francis Lonergan** by Staff at Sitkowski,  
Malboeuf & Hickey Funeral Home

FRIDAY      AUGUST 29

7:00 AM ~ **Shawn Marengo** by Connie & Tom

SATURDAY      AUGUST 30

3:30 PM ~ **Confessions**

5:00 PM ~ **Joan Cregg** by her Husband

SUNDAY      AUGUST 31

7:00 AM ~ **Lloyd Perreault** by the Malo

10:30AM ~ **Diane Dwyer by the Family**  
~ **Donald Vigeant (10<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)** by His Wife &  
Family

12:30PM ~ **Spanish**

**2025 Friends of St. Louis Scholarship**

Congratulations

**Lillian Maglich**

Best of luck in your future endeavors.

**Knights of Columbus Breakfast**

Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup> from 7 to 10:30 AM in the Church Hall.  
Tickets will be sold at the door. Cost is \$10.00 with children under  
5 free. Breakfast is French toast, bacon, eggs, fruit cup, coffee and  
juice. **All proceeds will be supporting "Coats For Kids".**

~ **Parish Support** ~

Last week, our parish community contributed \$9,397.00  
in ordinary support (includes Online eGiving)=\$1,943.00

**Thank You for your generous support!**

**ST. LOUIS RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**



Parents, remember, if your child is attending or wishes to attend Religious Education here at St. Louis, please call the Office at **508-943-0817** to register. Classes are held from Sept. – April for grades PreK – 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Thank you.

Summer program information and reminders have been sent home. This is for students in grades 7 – 9 **who did not attend during this past school year.**

**WELCOME!**

We extend a warm welcome to our parish family and all visitors who celebrate with us throughout the year. If you would like to become a member of the St. Louis Parish Family, please introduce yourself to Father Javier after any mass.

**If you, or someone you know, is interested in exploring the Catholic faith, we invite you to consider joining our OCIA program this year.**

**You can also be a bridge of faith—please invite a friend, neighbor, or loved one who may be seeking God or a deeper spiritual home.**

**For more information or to register, please contact the parish office.**

**Let us journey in faith together!**



**Confessions**

Every Saturday at 3:30 or anytime by appointment.

*This Week August 24, 2025 -August 30,2025*

**Sanctuary Lamp I** will be lit

In memory of **Barbara Lorkiewicz**



**Sanctuary Lamp II** will be lit

In memory of **Paul Arcieri**

**Sanctuary Lamp III** will be lit

In memory of **William Annese** by Carol

Harvard



**The Divine Mercy Lamp** will be lit in memory of **John Kokocinski** by His Wife



**Rest of the Soul:** Wilfred & Irene Lavalley, Nick Trifone, Mr. & Mrs. Francis Kelly, Jack Kelly, Sr., Jack Kelly, Jr., John Berry, John Kokocinski, John Minarik, Theresa Lada, Angela DeThomasis, Francis Lonergan, Shawn Marengo, Joan Cregg, Lloyd Perreault, Diane Dwyer, Donald Vigeant.

**Continued Prayers:** We pray for all those who suffer with sickness physically, emotionally, or spiritually - especially for Peter Motyka, Linda Sproles, Gary Sproles, Shawn Hartnett, David, Kevin Dupont, Christine Emery, Betty Dumochel, Katie, Dolly LeBlanc, Larry Dupont, Ann Fitman, Kelly Kokernak, Danielle, Cindy Smith, Arthur Matte, Shelly Matte, Emily Lussier, Bob & Joan Wentworth, John Lewandowski, Anna, Lusia, Monika, Uncle John, Slawek, Hunter, Barron, Brian Canty, Tyro Navarro, Barbara Leduc, Arthur Gomes, Francis Lowney, Albert Atchue, Joshua, Sharon Paradis, Cheryl Veilleux, Mary Jane O'Brien, Kevin, Annette Crisia, Barbara Greene, Kenny, Michelle, Mary Lee DiPinto, Bill Rogan, Treffley Hebert, Bill C, Chet & Pat Allison, Nicholas, Dan Slavinskis, John Gonyea, Donna Huntington, Bill D, Jacqui St. Cyr, Marilyn Woodard, Shirley, Kenny Bibeau, Mark Bibeau, Wanda, Carl & Nancy Zumpfe, Anna Imprescia, Kayla, Johnathan, Annette, Jane, Mike Cregg, Ashley, John, Judith Antonucci, Cebee, Margaret Coty, Bill, Tom, Terry, Josiah, Josh Gingras, Barbara Menard, Rico Lazio Soto, Ron Sampson, Irv Moran, Anne Tisdell, Renee, Kathleen McGillicuddy, Larkin Humphrey, Alex Currie, Brian & Tiffany Heil, Jeff & Mary LaVergne, Cheryl Brown, Ashley H, Michael B. Cregg, Lauren, Tim Gatzke, Cathy C, Charlie C., Shawn C, Joanne Boulay, Patricia Desto, Mike Moylan, Cheryl Marier, Ron, Annie & Scott Grant, Claire Forget, Michael Hutchinson, Dick Blanchard, Father Allaga, Joan Costa, Jeffrey Millar, Maryann Spiewakowski, Barbara P., Dirk Hansen, Peter Giles, Susan Maass, Michelle, Nicholas F, Kyle, Linda Rybacki, Arthur Daskowski, Spin, Mary Anne Dabrowski, Linda Orasz, Kim F, Kyle Marier, Ken Daviau, Tom Verdone, Richard C., Erica M, Mary Jo Dube, Katie H, Lyn Shields, Michael, Ruth H, Pillar M, Greg S. May Christ's healing bring them comfort.

**Thanksgiving for:** We thank God for all the graces and blessings you have bestowed upon our parishioners, spiritual and temporal: Our faith and religious heritage, our food and shelter, our health, the love we have for one another, and our family and friends.

**Prayer Request Line:** Call the Pastoral Center at 508-943-0240.

**Gift to St. Louis Endowment Fund**

In Memory of Francis (Spin) Spiewakowski by Theresa Kudron, Barbara Leduc, Brian & Brenda Turner.

**Invitation to Training**

We invite all who feel called to serve as Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to join us for training on Wednesday, September 25:

**Eucharistic Ministers: 6:00 pm - Lectors: 6:45 pm**

Come and be part of this beautiful ministry of service at the Lord's Table.



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**ST. LOUIS 50/50 CLUB WINNER**

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The *St. Louis 50/50 Club* 2025 winner this week is **Mr. & Mrs. Louis Lacroix** Week #17 - Ticket #96

**Saint Monica Ministry**

Dear Parish Family, We are blessed to announce the restarting of the Saint Monica Ministry here at Saint Louis Church. This ministry is rooted in prayer, hope, and support for all those who carry the heartfelt desire to see their loved ones return to the practice of the faith. Inspired by Saint Monica, the mother of Saint Augustine, whose perseverance and prayer brought about her son's conversion, we come together to encourage one another and to entrust our families and friends to God's loving mercy. Next meeting will be on September 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 - 7:30 PM. All are welcome!



Training for new altar servers will take place on Monday, August 25th at 5:00 PM. All current altar servers are also warmly invited to join us if you'd like a refresher or simply wish to support our new members. We look forward to seeing you there. Fr. Javier.

## **Striving for the Narrow Door**

At Saint Louis Church, we are truly blessed with a parish family that radiates kindness, generosity, and love. These virtues are a beautiful reflection of Christ's presence among us, yet the Gospel challenges us to go even deeper. Jesus says, "Strive to enter through the narrow door." He reminds us that the Christian life is about faithfully choosing the way of Christ every day, even when it is difficult.

The narrow door is the path of prayer when life feels too busy, the way of forgiveness when holding a grudge seems easier, the call to humility when pride tempts us, and the choice to put God and others first in a world that tells us to focus only on ourselves. It is not always the comfortable path, but it is the one that leads to true freedom and eternal life.

Our parish's love, generosity, and service are powerful signs that God is already at work in us. But the Lord calls us to more—to deepen our discipleship, to let His Word shape our hearts, and to walk the narrow way with courage and trust. If we remain faithful, encouraging one another and strengthened by the Eucharist, we will find at the end of the narrow road the wide embrace of Christ, who opens the door of His Kingdom to all who follow Him with love and perseverance.

## **We pray together**

Lord Jesus, guide us each day to choose the narrow door—the way of faith, humility, and love. Give us strength when the path is hard, courage when we are tempted to turn away, and joy in walking together as your faithful people. May we always keep our eyes fixed on You, who are the Way, the Truth, and the Life. Amen.

Fr. Javier.

### **Esforzarse por Entrar por la Puerta Estrecha**

En la parroquia de San Luis estamos verdaderamente bendecidos con una comunidad que irradia bondad, generosidad y amor. Estas virtudes son un reflejo hermoso de la presencia de Cristo entre nosotros, pero el Evangelio nos invita a ir aún más profundo. Jesús nos dice: «Esfuércense por entrar por la puerta estrecha». Nos recuerda que la vida cristiana no consiste solamente en ser “buenas personas”, sino en elegir con fidelidad el camino de Cristo cada día, aun cuando sea difícil.

La puerta estrecha es el camino de la oración cuando la vida parece demasiado ocupada; es el camino del perdón cuando es más fácil guardar rencor; es el llamado a la humildad cuando el orgullo nos tienta; y es la decisión de poner a Dios y a los demás en primer lugar en un mundo que nos invita a pensar solo en nosotros mismos. No siempre es el camino cómodo, pero es el único que conduce a la verdadera libertad y a la vida eterna.

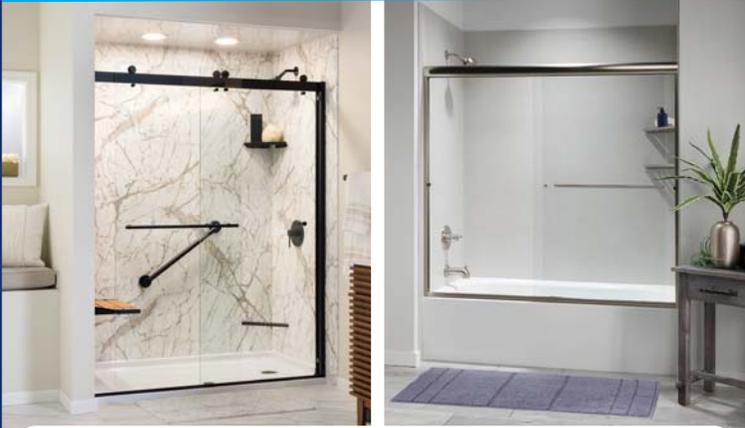
El amor, la generosidad y el servicio de nuestra parroquia son signos poderosos de que Dios ya está obrando en nosotros. Pero el Señor nos llama a más: a profundizar nuestro discipulado, a dejar que su Palabra transforme nuestro corazón, y a caminar por el camino estrecho con valentía y confianza. Si permanecemos fieles, animándonos unos a otros y fortalecidos por la Eucaristía, encontraremos al final de ese camino la amplia acogida de Cristo, que abre la puerta de su Reino a todos los que lo siguen con amor y perseverancia.

### **Oremos Juntos**

Señor Jesús, guíanos cada día a elegir la puerta estrecha: el camino de la fe, la humildad y el amor. Danos fuerza cuando el camino sea difícil, valor cuando tengamos la tentación de apartarnos, y alegría al caminar unidos como tu pueblo fiel. Que siempre tengamos la mirada fija en Ti, que eres el Camino, la Verdad y la Vida. Amén.

P. Javier.

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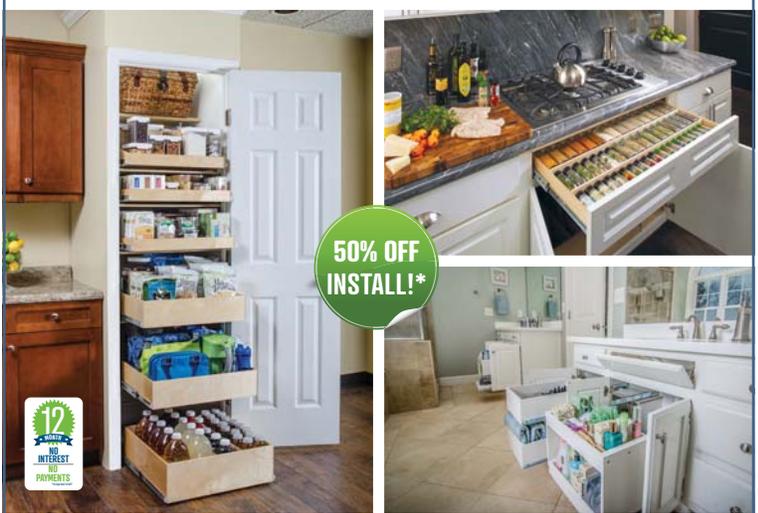


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